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SUBJ: REVERSION TREATY EX GRATIA PAYMENTS

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1. FONOFF IS NOW PREPARING FOR EXPECTED DIET INTERPELLATIONS ON EX GRATIA PAYMENTS MADE UNDER ARTICLE 4 OF REVERSION TREATY. FONOFF IS CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY THAT CRITICAL READING BY OPPOSITION ELEMENTS OF US PUBLIC DOCUMENTS SUCH AS THE US BUDGET MAY REVEAL THE EXISTENCE OF SPECIAL TRUST FUND SET UP UNDER REVERSION ARRANGEMENTS. THEY WOULD APPRECIATE A US READY OF THEIR VULNERABILITY ON THIS SCORE.

2. FONOFF SPECIFICALLY ASKS FOR RESPONSES TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A. ARE THERE ANY PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS WHICH WOULD REVEAL SOURCE OF EXGRATIA PAYMENTS OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFY EXISTENCE OF TRUST FUND?

B. ARE THERE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS WHICH COULD BE TRACED TO SHOW THAT ONLY 316 MILLION DOLLARS OF THE 320 MILLION DOLLAR REVERSION PAYMENT UNDER
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ARTICLE VII HAS FOUND ITS WAY TO GENERAL RECEIPTS

OF TREASURY?

3. IN ADDITION EMBASSY WONDERS WHETHER THESE ARRANGE-
MENTS MAY BE REVEALED WHEN TRUST FUND IS FINALLY
WOUND UP. EMBASSY EXPECTS THAT AT SOME STAGE FONOFF
MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT. WOULD APPRECIATE
DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON ULTIMATE DISPOSITION OF UNUSED
FUNDS AND ON WHETHER TRUST FUND CAN BE TERMINATED
WITHOUT ATTRACTING PUBLIC ATTENTION.
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